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Testimony of Lake Princeton Water Co. SCPSC Docket #2003-213-W-Order No. 2003-509

September 1, 2003

- Q. Please state your name, address and occupation for the Commission.
- A. My name is Sarah K. Black and I reside at 107 Crestline Drive, West Columbia, SC. I am an office assistant at SC Voc. Rehab. and secretary/treasurer for the Lake Princeton Water Co.
- Q. By whom are you employed?
- A. I am employed by the State of South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Dept. and Lake Princeton Water Co.
- Q. How long have you been associated with Lake Princeton Water Co.? SERVICE COMMISSION
- **A.** Since 1975.
- Q. How many customers does Lake Princeton Water Co. have?
- **A.** We have 11 customers.
- Q. How many new customers do you anticipate for 2003?
- **A.** We anticipate adding 2 new customers.
- Q. Why are you asking for a rate increase?
- A. We haven't had an increase in 20 years and we cannot support administration and maintenance out of our personal income.
- Q: Have you received an income from the company?
- A. No, I receive my water at no cost.
- Q. How much time is spent in the billing and administration of the Water Co.?
- **A.** I spend between 3 & 4 hours each month.
- Q. What is your salary from the water company?

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- A. I receive no salary, I just receive water.
- Q. Justify your request for the rate increase.

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A. At 36 – 50 hours per year based on my current income I should be paid at least \$600.00. I have witnessed the problems my brother has maintaining these pumps and lines and I feel the rate increase is more than justified so that we can maintain proper service to our customers. At the current rates we may have to seek abandonment from the PSC.

I appreciate the consideration of the PSC for this rate increase.

Sincerely, (

Sarah K. Black

Secretary/Treasurer